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Application No.: 09/892,199 Group Art Unit: 1731

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Title: TOTAL CHLORINE FREE BLEACHING OF ARUNDO DONAX PULP

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER/
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

September 4, 2002

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Response Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a Response in the above-identified application.

1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS

	Claims Remaining After Response	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	9	-	20	= 0 x 9	= 0
Independent Claims	2	-	3	= 0 x 42	= 0
TOTAL					\$0

B. Request for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 4, 2002, set to expire on June 4, 2002, be extended by 3 months, to expire on September 4, 2002. The enclosed check includes the 3-month extension fee of \$460.00.

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C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 141709 in the amount of \$460.00 to cover the amendment claim fee and request for extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

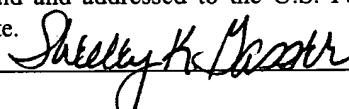
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